Dover (N.H.) Dec 22. 1834.

Dear Wife

Your letters, the one directed to Wells & the other to Dover, have both been received. The account from New York is correct. I can explain it to you when I return. In regard to the money, I wish you to pay (1) the note at the Bank (2) Mr Fiske up to Jan 1. (3) the wood bill & other little expenses at Wentworth, postage &c to Jan 1. (4) Send if you can $77 to John Stratton No 51 Central Street Boston, get his receipt, & request him to inform Dea Dole of Hallowell of it & inquire of him whether that covers the whole amount due for my horse & gig. I believe it does. If however Mr Stratton will advise Dea Dole of the payment & make the inquiry I will call on him upon my return & see that the whole matter is settled. I pay the money to him at the direction of Dea Dole. The remainder of the money you will keep till my return - using it of course as you want. If however you can by hook or by crook save $100 out of the wreck I wish you to do so, as I need that to pay my note to Dea Whiting. And then as to my other debts I shall be obliged to borrow again of some person. It is some consolation however to feel that my debts are diminishing. If the Mercantile Journal still comes you must fold it up & say on it "please stop - the time subscribed for is more than out" & send it back. I wish you to send the money to Stratton immediately so that he can advise Dea. Dole of its payment before Jan. 1st. Tell brother Lee I can give no promises so long before hand. I shall endeavor to see him & preach to his people when

I return, though I cannot promise him a sabbath.

X I have not time this morning to give you a detailed account of my doings & sayings. Suffice it to say I have visited Saco, Alfred - when I had a real "set to" with an Hon. Senator John Holmes, who voted - (scoundrel) - for the admission of Missouri into the Union as a slave State & that too when John Randolph of Roanoke was opposed to it. I took occasion unwittingly to tell his Hon. of it, to his no small chagrin. I had all the advantage of him for he showed himself, to the conviction of all the audience, to be totally ignorant of the whole matter. It was really surprising to see how utter his ignorance was. Your Cousin Fisk is as much with us as can be expected, for he is a softly man. I spent the Sabbath in Kennebunk - preached for Brother Powers - an abolitionist now - in the Evening ~~Tuesday, Evening~~ lectured on slavery in his church Tuesday Evening in the Union-ation Ch. - good audiences for the weather. Bro. Smith formerly of Sudbury & now of Kennebunk Port would not let me address his people Monday Evening. Wednesday, Thursday & Friday Evenings I spent at Wells, Saturday came here, Sabbath preached all day for Bro. Root. In the evening had a grand meeting - more than 1000 present ~~in his ch~~ on my subject. He, the Methodist & the Baptist ministers are all heartily with us. I lecture in the Baptist church Tuesday & in the Methodist ~~Wednesday~~ Thursday Evening & at Great Falls on Wednesday Evening. Friday at Durham, & perhaps Saturday & then back to Dover Sabbath & Monday to give my final lectures. Thence I shall go the next Sabbath to Exeter & thence

directly home, so as to get home that week, unless I find it important for some special reasons to stop at some place on the way even tho sabbath day Newburyport. Our plan now is to have me visit these places, break up the fallow ground & then just go over the ground again with Thompson. & form societies & raise funds. In Dover & Great Falls things look now as if the cause would carry all before it. I wish you would make inquiry & see if there is any one in Wrentham that I can borrow one or two hundred dollars of for a year or more. If you write as I wish you would by return of mail or very soon, direct to Dover N. H. as I shall be here till next Tuesday at least. After that you will direct to Exeter, unless I give counter directions. I shall attend to all your errands when I return, though I should hardly think you had better go without liquorice &c &c till then. Remember me affectionately to all friends. A kiss for dear boy. Tell Huldah she must be a good girl. Bro. Wright informs me that they have been trying to play the Lane Seminary game at Amherst but it dont go well. Frederick I presume has told you all about it. So dearest good bye. Your husband's health is always good you know. The Lord grant that yours may be so. I shall see you the Lord willing soon, & then if the interests of the cause will allow it I shall remain two or three weeks at home. Yours in the best & dearest of bonds

Amos A Phelps.

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Miss Charlotte Phelps

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